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SOCIOLOGICAL

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST SLOVAKS -- Munich, Slobodne Slovensko, Jul 60

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The transfer of the armaments industry and the construction of new plants in Slovakia is motivated by objectives other than the USSR's primary strategic interests. The Czechs are strengthening the colonization of Slovakia; the workers are Slovaks, but the directing personnel are or will be Czechs. This is the situation throughout all industry, but especially so in the armaments industry, which they [Czechs] refuse to place in the hands of the Slovaks; for example, in the J. V. Stalin plant in Turciansky Svaty Martin, the "Voroshilov Plants" in Dubnica, and the construction of rocket-launching ramps near Roznava and Krupa [sic]; in the plants at Dobra Voda, Trnava, Hnusta, Tisovec, and elsewhere, in which they are currently producing arms and chemicals for war. This is also the practice in the construction of new airfields and the nuclear power plant. A Slovak can be the head of a cooperative, a stone quarry, or a state forest, but in other fields, it is almost impossible for a Slovak to be in a leading position; in cases where it does occur, the individual has become subservient and is indifferent to his nationality. Otherwise, a Slovak is not considered sufficiently reliable, and he does not enjoy the confidence of Prague.

[Comment: The author of this article claims to have been on "official trips" during 1940-1950 and to have participated in the planning of plants such as "Chemko" in Humenne and other chemical plants in Gemer and Western Slovakia. He also claims to have "considerable knowledge about these things since 1958."]

NEW REVIEW ON CHINA -- Rome, Avanti!, 30 Jul 60

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Civiltà Cinese (Chinese Civilization) is the title of the new review published by the "Luciano Magrini" Cultural Institute, directed by Paolo Beonio-Brocchieri. The first issue leads off with a documented study by Giorgio Borsa on "The Development of Nationalism in China," covering the period since Sun Yat-sen. Other articles include one by Domenico Riccardo

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Peretti-Griva describing some important aspects of the Chinese judicial system, and one by Arturo Colombo emphasizing the main present-day demographic problems and the results obtained through the birth-control policies instituted by the Chinese, Indian, and Japanese governments.

ESTABLISHES FOREIGN LANGUAGE SCHOOL -- Peiping, Pei-ching Jih-pao, 4 Jul 60, p 2

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To meet China's need for linguists and to prepare the middle school students for higher educational studies, the Peiping Bureau of Education has established the Peiping Foreign Language School. The school, which has dormitories for the students, will accept qualified graduates of junior, middle and senior middle schools. Besides offering the students basic cultural courses, the school will teach Russian, English, French, German, and Spanish. During their 3-year term, the students may study one foreign language. The school's address is Ma Shen Miao, Fu-cheng Men-wai.

COMPLAINTS ON LIVING, WORKING CONDITIONS -- Shanghai, Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 17 Jul 60, p 6

The following is an FDD comment.

Two letters to the editor of source complain of the crowded living conditions of workers in China and the discomfort caused by bedbugs. The management of the Chang-lung Ironworks is criticized for "mismanaging the temperature control work," with electric fans being poorly located. The inadequate number of electric fans at the plant is said to be leading to animosity and quarrels among the workers.

Another item on industrial difficulties and unsanitary conditions in China appeared in Foreign Press Bulletin for 5 July 1960.

ECONOMIC

AGRICULTURAL POPULATION STATISTICS -- Prague, Hospodarske Noviny, 15 Jul 60

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As of 1 February 1960, 21 percent of those permanently employed in Czechoslovak agriculture, or 311,000 persons, were over age, including 130,000 men over 60 years old and 181,000 women over 55 years old. A total of 1,455,024 persons were employed in the agricultural sector on a permanent basis: 667,000 men and 788,000 women. Of these, 206,000 were employed in national enterprises (including 159,000 on state farms),

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910,000 on JZDs (unified agricultural cooperatives), and 339,000 in the private sector. In addition, there were 1,284,547 peak-work helpers, of whom 484,000 worked on JZDs and 801,000 in the private sector.

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL

POLISH TECHNICIANS CONGRESS -- Warsaw, Przegląd Techniczny, 6 Jul 60

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The Main Council of the Chief Technical Organization has called the Fourth Congress of Polish Technicians for February 1961. This congress will evaluate the present state of technology in Poland, outline the basic role of the technician in planned technical development and the role of technicians in the 1961-1965 Five-Year Plan assignments. It will also consider technical and scientific development plans and the most effective measures for their realization.

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